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Eugene T. Wang, et al. ) Examiner: Emdadi, Kamran  
Application No: 09/346,110 ) Art Unit: 2664  
Filed: June 30, 1999 ) Confirmation No.: 2024  
For: COMMON BACKPLANE FOR PHYSICAL )  
LAYER SYSTEM AND NETWORKING )  
LAYER SYSTEM )

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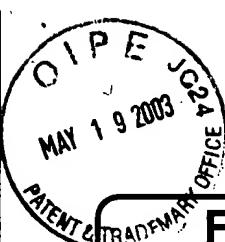
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Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)			

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Total Claims	33	33*	=	0	X	18.00	=	\$0.00	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	4	4*	=	0	X	84.00	=	\$0.00			

Multiple Dependent

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	84	2204	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath			
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet			
2053	130	2053	130	Non-English specification			
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination			
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month			
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month			
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month			
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month			
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month			
1404	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal			
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing			
1451	1,510	2451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable			
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional			
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee			
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee			
1460	130	2460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner			
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)			
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt			
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)			
1809	750	1809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))			
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))			
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
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